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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated August 24, 2004, finally rejecting claims 15-26, 28, 29, and 31-39.

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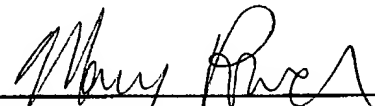
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